

Claims

Sub A, 1. A composition comprising a lipid-regulating agent dissolved or dispersed in at least one oil with one or more emulsifiers, wherein the mixture is capable of forming an emulsion upon dilution with an aqueous phase.

2. A composition of claim 1 wherein said lipid-regulating agent is a fibrate.

Sub B, 3. A composition of claim 2 wherein said fibrate is fenofibrate.

4. A composition of claim 1 wherein said lipid-regulating agent is a statin.

5. A composition of claim 4 wherein said statin is pravastatin.

6. A composition of claim 4 wherein said statin is atorvastatin.

Sub C, 7. A composition of claim 1 wherein at least one or more of said emulsifiers is selected from phospholipids, polyoxyethylene sorbitan fatty acid derivatives, sorbitan fatty acid derivatives, Polyoxyl-35-castor oil (Cremophor EL, available from BASF), castor oil or hydrogenated castor oil ethoxylates, polyglycerol esters of fatty acids, fatty acid ethoxylates, alcohol ethoxylates, polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene co-polymers and block co-polymers, and TPGS (d-alpha tocopheryl polyethylene glycol 1000 succinate).

8. A composition of claim 7 wherein at least one or more of said emulsifiers is polyoxyethylene sorbitan fatty

acid derivatives, sorbitan fatty acid derivatives and polyoxyl-35-castor oil.

- 5 *del A3*
9. A composition of claim 1 wherein said oil is selected from soybean oil, coconut oil, canola oil, corn oil, palm kernel oil, cottonseed oil, olive oil, peanut oil, safflower oil and sesame oil.
- 10 10. A composition of claim 9 wherein said oil is soybean oil.
- 15 *Sub C3*
11. A composition of claim 1 further comprising a co-solvent.
12. A composition of claim 11 wherein said co-solvent is ethanol, propylene glycol or polyethylene glycol.
13. A delivery system comprising a composition of claim 1.
- 20 14. A delivery system of claim 13 wherein said delivery system is an emulsion.
15. A delivery system of claim 13 wherein said delivery system is a capsule.
- 25 *del A4*
16. A method of treating hyperlipidemia comprising the administration of a composition of claim 1 to a patient.
- 30 17. A method of treating hyperlipidemia comprising the administration of a composition of claim 3 to a patient.
- 35 18. A method of treating hyperlipidemia comprising the administration of a composition of claim 14 to a patient.

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